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A N N U A L R E P O R T

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH for the YEAR 1947.

TO THE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL FOR THE BOROUGH OF NEW ROMNEY.

Mr. Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors:-

The area of the Borough is 1509 acres.

The Resident Population was 1920 according to the Registrar General's returns.

The number of inhabited houses at the end of the year 1947, according to the Rate Books was: 758.

The rateable value was £16,794.

The sum represented by a penny rate was £55 (cash basis).

VITAL STATISTICS.

| | | | Males. | Females. | Total. |
|---------------|--------------|------|--------|----------|--------|
| LIVE BIRTHS:- | Legitimate | .... | 27 | 16 | 43 |
| | Illegitimate | .... | -- | -- | -- |
| | | | 27 | 16 | 43. |

This gives a Birth Rate of 22.39 per 1,000 of the estimated resident population.

The Birth Rate for England and Wales was 20.5 per 1,000

Birth Rates or the past five years were:-

| | | | | | New Romney: | England & Wales. |
|----------|------|------|------|------|-------------|------------------|
| 1943 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 17.47 | 16.50 |
| 1944 | | | | | 23.68 | 17.60 |
| 1945 | | | | | 18.18 | 16.10 |
| 1946 | | | | | 23.09 | 10.10 |
| 1947 | | | | | 22.39 | 20.50 |
| Average: | | | | | 20.96 | 17.96 |

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| DEATHS:- | Males. | Females. | Total. |
| | 7 | 14 | 21. |

This gives a Death Rate of 10.93 per 1,000 of the estimated population.


The Death Rate for England & Wales was 12.0 per 1,000.

The Death Rates for the last five years were:-

| | | | | | New Romney: | England & Wales. |
|----------|------|------|------|------|-------------|------------------|
| 1943 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 12.47 | 12.10 |
| 1944 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 14.38 | 11.60 |
| 1945 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 13.28 | 11.40 |
| 1946 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 10.83 | 11.50 |
| 1947 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 10.93 | 12.00 |
| Average: | | | | | 12.37 | 11.72 |

STILL BIRTHS:- Rate per 1,000 total (live & still) births:- 76.9.

There was one Still Birth, Male, illegitimate.



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Deaths from Puerperal causes:- Nil.

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| Deaths from Cancer (all ages). | Nil. |
| " " Measles(" "). | Nil. |
| " " Whooping Cough (all ages). | Nil. |
| " " Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age). | Nil. |
| " " Tuberculosis. | Nil. |

Deaths of Infants under one year of age - One male, two females, legitimate.

The following infectious diseases were notified during the year:-

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| Pneumonia. | Nil. |
| Whooping Cough. | 9 |
| Measles. | 11 |
| Diphtheria. | Nil. |
| Scarlet Fever. | Nil. |
| Ophthalmia Neonatorium | Nil. |
| Tuberculosis. | Nil. |
| Erysipelas. | 1. |

I am, Ladies & Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,

J.N.D. O'RAFFERTY.

December, 1948.

